

## Message Text

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ACTION ARA-20

INFO OCT-01 ADP-00 SSO-00 NSCE-00 USIE-00 INRE-00 CIAE-00

PM-07 H-03 INR-10 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-10 PA-03 RSC-01

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CI, PINS, PINT, MILI

SUBJ: AIR FORCE ALERT

USCINCO FOR POLAD

REF: SANTIAGO 3675

1. AT NOON AUG 20 OPPOSITION RADIOS CARRYING COMMUNIQUE ISSUED BY PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF CHILEAN AIR FORCE STATING THAT SINCE EARLY HOURS THIS MORNING FOR REASONS OF ELEMENTARY ETHICS ALL AIR FORCE UNITS HAVE CONFINED THEMSELVES TO QUARTERS ON GRADE ONE ALERT. COMMUNIQUE RELATES MEASURE TO OUTRAGE (VEJAMEN) COMMITTED AGAINST CINC GENERAL RUIZ WHO WAS OBLIGED TO RESIGN.

STATEMENT DEMANDS THAT RUIZ BE RECOGNIZED AS SOLE LEGITIMATE CINC OF AIR FORCE.

2. PRO-GOVT RADIOS HAVE DENOUNCED STATEMENT AS "FALSEHOON," STATED THERE IS NO UPRISING BY AIR FORCE, DECLARED THAT GEN LEIGH HAS BEEN CINC SINCE SAT., AND ANNOUNCED THAT AIR FORCE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC RELATIONS HAS BEEN ARRESTED FOR ISSUING IT.

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3. AIR FORCE PUBLIC RELATIONS DEPARTMENT HAS SUBSEQUENTLY

ISSUED STATEMENT (HEARD ON OPPOSITION RADIO) THAT PREVIOUS  
COMMUNIQUE (PARA 1 ABOVE) ISSUED WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION FROM  
CINC AND ON SOLE PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY OF DEPUTY DIRECTOR.  
STATEMENT ADDED THAT CEREMONY TO TRANSFER COMMAND FROM  
RUIZ TO LEIGH, SCHEDULED FOR NOON, HAS BEEN POSTPONED.  
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